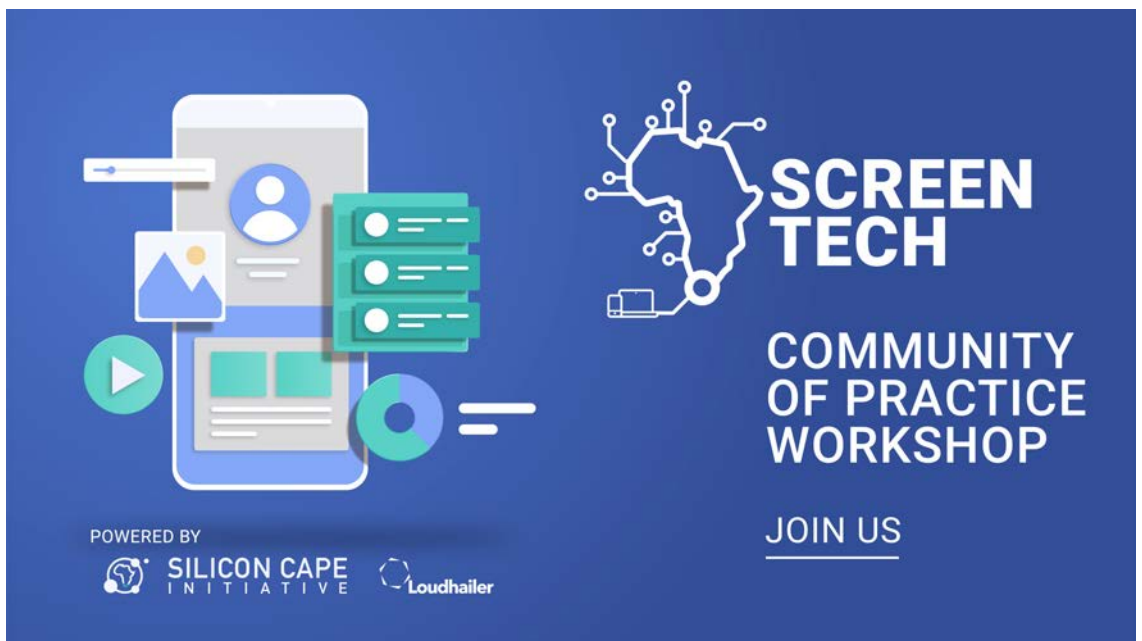




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## DEDAT INVITES YOU TO JOIN THE NEXT SCREENTECH COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE WORKSHOP

The [Western Cape Government Department of Economic Development and Tourism](#) (DEDAT) – in partnership with [Loudhailer](#) and [Silicon Cape](#) – invites startups, corporates, industry organisations and experts operating in any facet of the ScreenTech space to take part in their third Community of Practice workshop:

**Date:** 25 February 2021

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Venue:** Zoom

**Register at** <https://www.siliconcape.com/screen-tech>

These workshops are a space for knowledge-sharing, discussion and collaboration for all stakeholders operating in innovative fields ranging from animation, gaming, and interactive reality, to social networking, streaming and television – essentially, any sphere of technology utilising a screen. From these events, DEDAT will be compiling an annual State of the Ecosystem report, which will help guide future initiatives aimed at promoting the growth and development of screen-related technologies in Cape Town and the Western Cape.

With the guidance of CoP attendees, DEDAT has learnt that a lack of ideation and development funding, limited access to stakeholders, and a need for more inclusive access to resources, devices, infrastructure and training are the foremost challenges affecting players in screen-related spaces. At the same time, participants have reported that CoPs offer opportunities for awareness and exposure for products and services, access to like-minded individuals for learning and sharing, and a platform to showcase new technology, which the Department will now work towards.

DEDAT is also supporting three additional technology ecosystem verticals over the next few years; namely: Fintech, TownshipTech and 4IR technologies. Each ecosystem coordinator will undertake unique and bespoke programming such as events, webinars, roundtables, challenges, etc., tailored to the needs of the sector.

Should you be interested in joining any of DEDAT's other technology sector ecosystems, please email [Dedat.Broadband@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Dedat.Broadband@westerncape.gov.za).



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